APPOINTMENTS

*230. [9] **Sri. P. S. Nataraja Pillai:** Will the Hon'ble the Chief Minister be pleased to state the number of persons appointed on a pay of Rs. 300 and above from the State and outside the State in 1949 and 1950 with their names, qualifications and special claims for the posts they were appointed ?

Chief Minister **(Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai) :** Answer is not ready.

Sri. P. S. Nataraja Pillai: Sir, I may be allowed to withdraw the next question.

Mr. Speaker: No objection.

Sri. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai: Sir, on a point of order. If there is a question, in which other members are interested to know the answer and the member in whose name the question stands does not want to put the question, is it open to him at this stage to withdraw it ?

Mr. Speaker: In the rules there is a provision for withdrawal of question.

Sri. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai: But the question has already appeared in the list of questions for the day.

Mr. Speaker: Questions in the list can be withdrawn.

Sri. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai : And therefore, what is the position?

Mr. Speaker: Rule 18, sub-rule 5 contains provision for withdrawing a question even after it has appeared in the list of questions. If it has not been so withdrawn the Speaker may, under S.O. 18, give permission to another member to put the question.

[Question (10) withdrawn]

INTEGRATION OF PAY SCALES

*231. [11] **Sri. R. Chellaswamy Nadar:** Will the Hon'ble the Chief Minister be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the integration of pay scales of Government servants has been effected in all the departments; and

(*b*) if not, the reason for the delay ?

Chief Minister **(Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai) :**

(*a*) Integration has been effected in the Police Department.

(*b*) Owing to the divergent policies which the two former Governments of Travancore and Cochin were following in regard to recruitment, determination of seniority, and other service matters, the Government had to evolve the general principles to be adopted for integration of the services and the Public Service Commission was consulted. The general principles have been tentatively decided upon and necessary orders have been issued to Heads of Departments to proceed with the integration of the services under their control.

Sri. A. K. George : May I know whether the principles adopted by Government for integration have been evolved after consideration?

Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai : I have stated on more than one occasion what the principles are and how they were evolved.

Sri. A. K. George : May I know whether the Government are aware they have stated that no representations will be accepted by them in the matter of questioning the principles laid down in that behalf ?

Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai: I would draw the attention of the Hon'ble Member to the Press Note issued by Government subsequently.

Sri. A. K. George : May I know whether it is advisable to issue Press Note quite contrary to Government proceedings issued already on the subject ?

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